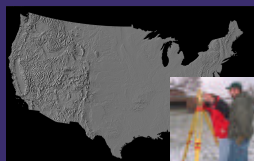




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The State Advisor Program

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The advisors educate and train state personnel, assist in planning and coordinating field surveys, provide quality assurance, assist state personnel in preparing data for inclusion into NSRS, and serve as the primary contact for relating user needs to NGS and transferring new technical developments to local users.

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